Candidate Guide and Calendar

All petitions must be obtained from the Putnam County Election Commission Office. Petitions will be issued beginning 90 days before the qualifying deadline. Petitions may be received by mail; however, we suggest that either you or your agent file in person. If mailed, the petitions must be in the Election Commission Office by the deadline time of 12:00 noon. A timely postmark is not acceptable.

No photocopies of petitions will be accepted. Additional copies of a petition must be obtained from the Election Commission Office if the candidate circulates more than one petition.

Twenty-five (25) eligible nominating signatures are required. Eligible refers to persons who are registered to vote and would be qualified to vote for the candidate. We recommend that you obtain at least forty-five (45) signatures because some of the signatures may be from people who are not registered.

Voters signing your petition should sign their name as it is listed on their voter registration. Voters signing the petition must list their correct residential address including the city. A post office box number will not be accepted as an address.

Individuals who wish to withdraw their nominating petition have one week to do so. A written request with the candidates' original signature must be filed prior to 12:00 noon, 7 days after the qualifying deadline, at the Putnam County Election Commission.

Only the names of candidates that have met all the necessary qualifications shall be placed on the ballot. All petitions must be filed before the 12:00 noon deadline date.

Our phone number is 931-526-2566

Election Date	Qualifying Deadline Date	First date to pick up petitions	Offices to be elected
March 6, 2012 Presidential Preference Primary	December 6, 2011 (12:00 NOON)	September 7, 2011	Non-Nationally Recognized Party Candidates
March 6, 2012 Presidential Preference Primary and **County Primary	December 8, 2011 (12:00 NOON) For Both Primary and Independent Candidates	September 9, 2011	Delegate Candidates and Assessor of Property